Regulating educational bodies

†1359. SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is considering a proposal of the United States Chief Executive Officers forum, which recommended that SEZ be established on trial basis, to bring about liberalization of education;

(b) whether the American universities attract a large number of Indian students every year, the highest number from any single country;

(c) whether Government has constituted a Committee of Secretaries to suggest a model for regulating educational bodies like the University Grants Commission and the medical Council of India;

(d) whether Government has received the report; and

(e) if so, by when a final decision is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No such data is centrally maintained.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Financing students going abroad

†1360. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any scheme for financing students going abroad for further studies;

(b) if so, the details thereof:

(c) the number of students benefited under the scheme, till date;

(d) whether the State Government have enacted similar schemes; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) Model Education Loan Scheme of the Indian Banks' Association (IBA) with the Deprtment of Financial Services of the Central Government, has provision of giving need-based loan upto Rs. 15.00 lakhs to students for studies abroad. Detailed guidelines of the scheme are available at IBA's website (www.iba.org.in)

(c) According to available information the Public Sector Banks have provided overseas education loans during the last three years as follows:-

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi

Year	No. of accounts
2004-05	18848
'005-06	28880
2006-07	36191

(d) and (e) Information about any such scheme of the State Governments is not centrally maintained.

Allocations to voluntary organizations

1361. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of funds allocated and released by Union Government to voluntary institutions for training and education of the poor, helpless and minority children during each of the last three years, year-wise and State-wise;

(b) the details of the funds utilized by the institutions for the above purpose, during the said period;

(c) whether these institutions have fulfilled the stipulated norms; and

(d) if not, the reaction of Governemnt is this regard, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (d) Under the Innovative & Experimental (I&E) Programmes for education at elementary level under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, the Government of India has sanctioned and released funds during the year 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 to NGOs. State wise details are given at statement-I,II and III respectively (*See* below). No financial irregulartities have come to the notice of this Ministry against the NGOs who have received funds under I&E programmes of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan.

Statement-I

Grant released under I &E Scheme in 2004-05

Sl. No.	Name of Voluntary Agency	Amount Released
1	2	3
	ANDHRA PRADESH	
1.	Rashtriya Sewa Samithi, Andhra Pradesh	4,17,264
	DELHI	
2	Jan Jagriti Education Society	4,22,500
3	Lady Irwin College, New Delhi	9,16,889
4	DISHA, New Delhi	2,61,250
5	PRAYAS,New Delhi	27,00,000